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Notice of Allowability

Application No.	Applicant(s)
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Examiner	Art Unit
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

- This communication is responsive to the board decision on January 31, 2005.
- The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-36.
- The drawings filed on 16 May 2003 are accepted by the Examiner.
- Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) All b) Some* c) None of the:
 - Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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- A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
- CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
(a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
(b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of
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- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

- Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
- Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
- Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
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- Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- Other _____.

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-36 are pending. Claims 1-36 are allowed.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The closest prior art of Koeppel (U. S. Patent 6,477,575) teaches a Web server presents a Web page including content to a plurality of users, via browser applications located at each user's client site. While each user views the site, detailed activities by each user are collected in a client side data store located in each client site.

In regarding to independent claims 1, 13 and 25, Koeppel taken either individually or in combination with other prior art of record fails to teach or suggest controlling information gathered by data collection agencies in an electronic transaction comprising selecting a persona facet by a user, wherein said persona facet selected comprises a use selectable information selected by the user to be exposed in said electronic transaction; connecting to a web site by a web browser, sending said selected persona facet to said web site by said web browser during said electronic transaction; receiving information about said user stored in a database from said web site if said web site recognizes said persona facet; and updating said information about said user stored, in said database. In the present application, it requires the database at the website to store all user web site activities whereas Koeppel stores all the web site activities in a client side data store.

3. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

The article titled "User Profile Based Personalized Web Agent" by Young et al. (World Scientific, Singapore, ISBN: 981 02 4054 6) discloses a personalized Web agent that constructs a user profile which consists of user preferences on the Web and recommends his/her specific information to the user.

Inquire

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mary Cheung whose telephone number is (703)-305-0084. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday – Thursday from 10:00 AM to 7:30 PM. The examiner can also be reached on alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Trammell, can be reached on (703) 305-9768.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-1113.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary Cheung".